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MORE ABOUT THE KANSAS APPLE CROP.

Later advices from the orchards of South Kansas are more encouraging. The ice and snow played havoc with the small fruit, but the belief is that only a small per cent of the apples were killed. The peach crop, which was a very full and promising one, was badly damaged the vineyards, strawberry fields and garden

What with curculio and other grubs, worms and insects, and an untamed soil, it was for a long time thought that Kansas as an apple producing country would make no noticeable record. Apples, however, being a northern fruit, frost and ice were not counted among the possible drawbacks. The success of later years, however, has not only dissipated such idea but demonstrated that for her apples Kansas will probably become famous. Profitable markets for surplus apples, peaches and grapes grown in Kansas is becoming more and more a problem. There will be train loads of surplus apples for sale in Southern Kansas the coming season, probably, despite the ice storm. Thousands of harrels will seek shipment through kets and purchasers. Kansas apples in some quantities from delayed trains and mistakes in orders have been shipped to England for some years past. Ger many is not no accessible, but Leslie's Weekly asserts many, and the opportunities they offer. About four thouauctions recently held there, which, of course, is but a this country. small beginning. Our consul at Bremen, Mr. Diedrich, rays that he sees no reason why, in the course of time American fruits of all kinds should not be unloaded at and disposed of at profitable prices. The Germans are not great fruit eaters, when compared with other nations. While in England the annual consumption

The most encouraging incident of late in connection it was 41,142. with fruit preservation and marketing is the cold storage, Many varieties of winter apples can be carried over many months in a perfect state of preservation.

WROTE HIMSELF DOWN A GENTLEMAN.

The rich measure everything by money. Money is their sole standard of excellence. They measure man hood itself by it, the possession of which, in Itself, is sufficient to constitute its possessor a "gentleman." At least that is what the young multi-millionaire Vanderbilt recorded of himself when applying for that license. "Money makes the mare go," but it doesn't make the A man can be a gentleman not only according to the dictionary definition but in the estimation of of himself also, and yet be the victim of impecuniosity throughout his life. Money develops the boot and fosters the tyrant, not the gentle-man, as a rule, as Leaps the live thunder! Not from one lone cloud, defined by the dictionary or as estimated by the com-

Character being more than fortune, money alone can only produce the counterfelt gentleman. The possession of money, houses and lands may enable a thief or a A portion of the tempest and of thee! rowdy to pose as a gentleman, but he fools no one save Chinese give as their definition of gentleman "a superior man." A gentleman, or superior man, must possess many It was the opinion of Confucius that "if you are grave you will not be treated with disrespect; if you repose trust in you; if you are earnest you will accomplish much; and if you are kind you will secure the will-

Of course good breeding, manners and etiquette go to make up the gentleman, according to the American esti-Still, there must be the superior sense, the good heart, the uprightness of life, the self-control that comes of a clear brain and a clean life.

Speaking of money, its getting and its dominancy, a rich American, of 70 years, having amassed a fortune of \$9,000,000 recently declared that the only pleasure he found was in the making of it, but that being an old man with the joy of work denied him he was left miserable. Another wealthy American has gone on record in these words: "My life is a failure; what I really cared for has eluded me; I have riches but I coveted the fame that comes to the inventor, to the writer, to a man for his manhood." Hence the discontent of our Carnegies and Rockefellers is not far to find, any more than the desire of young Vanderbilt to pass as a gentleman, which he may or may not be, but which neither his money nor the fact that he so wrote it down, can make him a gentieman.

---IT IS NONE OF OUR BUSINESS.

Touching the supposed impending international clash over Russia in Manchuria, President Roosevelt reflected the wish and indement of a great majority of the people of the United States when he instructed Secretary Hav to proceed in the Manchuria affair only on our own account and independent of all other nations with their entangling alliaces. America is not only independent of all European complications, independent as a people, but independent geographically. Separated from Europe by the Atlantic on one side, and from the Orient by the Pacific on the other nothing can bappen in any other portion or in all other portions of the globe in the way of ambitions or misunderstandings which can very materially affect us. We have no concern in the territorial aggressions of Russia in Asia, any more than we have in those of England in Egypt, or those of Germany in China, except in so far as they might touch mere business interests. The bumptious desire of the bully to be in the push would prove an entirely inadequate reason for getting into a

row which so little morally or materially concerns us. England is menaced more than any other power, but she will endeavor to make a catspaw out of Japan and have that plucky little nation look after the Vladivestock end of the trouble while King Edward's fleet looks after Constantinople. The Japanese are full of fight and are consumed by a hatred of Russia because the Czar de off with a snow storm and a killing frost.

prived them of the fruits of victory over Cina when Japan held Korea as a hostage or prize of war. Japan will require but small encouragement to go to war, but this "the two great English-speaking peoples," etc., and take up England's fight against out hereditary and proven friend without cause and without renson. Ger-

us in any complications with any one and which would have an eye single to our own interests.

past winter caused people to shudder and wonder and the Wichita alone. The commission men will be seeking mar- the accidents resulted not from defective tracks but

The quarterly bulletin issued by the Interstate Commerce Commission giving the statistics of railroad accithat American fruit growers and dealers will do well to dente during the first three months of this year tells an carefully examine the new arrangements at Bremen, Ger- awful story of slaughter. It indicates clearly the cost in human life and human suffering which has resulted from sand barrels of American apples were sold at the four the increased activity upon the transportation lines in

According to this report 854 railroad employes were killed and 11,873 others were injured in accidents during an annual death list among railroad employes of 3,416. up to 40,376. That would beat all previous records in the of southern fruit amounts to fifteen pounds per head, it number killed and almost equal the high record in the number of injured. Ten years ago the deaths by accibut this simply shows that there is great room for im- dent among employes numbered 1,825, and two years ago provement, and it is not unreasonable to hope for a the number killed in that way was 2,675. Ten years ago steady increase of the demand for fruit in this market. the number of employes injured was 23,422, and in 1901

It is inevitable, of course, that there should be greater risk in the handling of a largely increased traffic upon the railroads, but this slaughter is still something awful. When it is borne in mind that there are scarcely more than 200,000 employes actively engaged in the train service of American railroads it is apparent that 1.7 per cent of those employes are killed and 20 per cent of them injured every year. That is a terrible record for American railroads to make, and something should be done to check the slaughter and maiming of the men who operate their

EXTRACT FROM CHILDE HAROLD.

The sky is changed!-and such a change! O night And storm, and darkness, ye are wondrous strong, Yet lovely in your strength, as is the light Of a dark eye in woman! Far along From peak to peak, the rattling crags among. But every mountain now hath found a tongue, And Jura answers, through her misty shroud Back to the joyous Alps, who call to her aloud! And this is in the night!-Most glorious night! Thou wert not sent for slumber! let me be A sharer in thy fierce and far delight flow the lit lake shines, a phosphoric sea, And the big rain comes dancing to the earth! The And now again 'tis black, and now, the glee Of the loud hills shakes with its mountain mirth As if they did rejoice o'er a young earthquake's birth. The morn is up again, the dewy morn with breath all incense, and with cheek all bloom Laughing the clouds away with playful scorn, And living as if earth contained no tomb, And glowing into day: we may resume The march of our existence! and thus I Still on thy shores, fair Leman! may find room And food for meditation, nor pass by Much, that may give us pause, if pondered fittingly.

> Mr. Morgan's big trusts on land and water are showg signs of real debility. Steel truct bonds are down o about \$4, and yet they pay 5 per cent. The preferred hares of the Transatlantic chipping trust are hovering cound 31, and the common stock may be picked up at The great investing public evidently does not take Uncle Pierpont's combines with proper seriousness. Or does the public scent the coming storm?

> It is as yet an undecided question whether the beef or the laws and courts are the bigger. Meanwhile the National Live Stock association has subscribed o twenty-five million dollars for stock in a cooperative ompany to fight the meat combine.

> The supreme court of Missouri decides that the news-aper reporters, who got \$1,000 each, need not tsetify to the fact, as such testimony might tend to self-incrmina tion and public suspleion, which the constitution of that state inhibits. Gosh!

> The "busted" New York Ledger was sending young men to college in payment of their getting each 2,000 new Now the young men are stranded. Will Uncle Andrew Carnege throw the usual rope?

> Topeka's new dry mayor is threatened with impeachment for infraction of law by discrminating against the old soldier. The funny thing about it is that the proceedings are being instituted by Democrats.

General Miles' report has been published at last, but the men who did the commanding and fighting in the faished Philippines got shead of him by denying months ago all of the charges he makes.

What with her spring water and spring weather and the sident as a guest over Sanday, the inhabitants of haron Springs should do less springing upon the rames of each other.

The supreme court having as yet failed to decide the hether a new mayor had been elected in Kansas City. the cla mayor and the mayor-elect are both trying to

successful one hange, and their seats are worth \$82,000 each. Nucty utilion dollars for seats that are non-existent is a big A farmer died in Kentucky the other day who turned

ut to be a weman. She came from New England, the

place where the women look like men and the men act

There are 1,100 members of the New York stock ex-

like women. The measles have invaded the White House. Only the other day the Kalser's children were down with it. ft is a measly and democratic disease and no respecter

The Crar entered Moscow the other day without a filer on the streets, confiding in the affection of his if I do He took hig chances, but the Nhilists were not

Of course Kansas was praying for rain, but the petitioners did not expect to be answered with a flood, tipped

It was very warm down in the earth, and the little violets were longing to push their way up to where they could see the blue sky and the sun shining.

But the older violets bade them wait, and spoke to them of the bitterly cold lights, when cruel King Frost held his revels abroad, and how when he passed his ley breath made the flowers shrink in nis ley breath made the howers shrink in fear, few feeling his touch without pay-ing the penalty of death; and they drew such pictures of the cruel king that the baby violets huddled up together and crept closer into the shelter of their Mother Root

jealous of British prestige, but British prestige must look out for itself so far as we are concerned. Our sole care is to see that American interests are not injured.

Our policy should be hands off; but whatever it is it should be a single-handed policy which would not involve abould see.

Bue one violet scoffed at their fears, and every day she put out all her strength in her efforts to grow big and strong enough to face the world, till at hat one day she pushed her way up. She was very tired with the exertion, the strong light hurting her little yellow eye after the darkness underground, and she was very glad to creep under the largest leaf she could see. Bue one violet scoffed at their fears

she could see.

"You are very early," said the leaf.
"I am afraid you are in too great a hurry, for it is bitterly cold when the

the wind fanned her gently when the sun's rays grew too warm, and in the morning the dew brought her offerings of lovely sparkling diamonds. She was very happy, and thought how silly the other violets were to have been fright-coned by a foolish story; so she called

they had all fallen fast asleep.

One evening the leaves whispered to her that King Frost would be abroad that night, and she must keep well out of sight and hide under them or he would kill her. But she tossed her head and said she didn't believe. she didn't believe in that king. She had watchei for him before, and he never came. And she refused to bend her stem.

It was very lonely, and the air grew colder and colder, and there was a great stillness, only broken by the rustle of the sheeping leaves and the whispering of the trees overhead. And presently the moon rose slowly and the violet saw the ground was all sprinkled with they gems, and the leaves and mess with powdered very cold, and tried to shrink hack under the leaves, but found she could not, for the king's slaves had come in the dark the king's slaves had come in the dark and coated her stem with fine diamond powder, and she could not bend it. And a tear rose in her little golden eye, and as it rolled down it was frozen into a hard stone, which cut into her tender petals and hurt her. And then there was a great hush, and the trees and plants bowed their heads, for the king was in sight. And he came in great state, for it was his last visit this season. First came his soldiers and executioners, in uniforms of gray-blue, an icy shade that made one shiver and think of the gleam of steel. And then came the courtiers in green-sliver, like moonbeams on the hining ice; and the king's bodyguard rore deepest blue, and in the midst ame the king himself, all robed in white, with trimmings of hoar-frost lace, suc he sometimes leaves on our windows show us he has passed, and he wore erown of iccles that sparked with any colors as he walked. And children cattered diamond dust before him, which ell in loveliness, and hid the cruel work

fell in loveliness, and hid the cruel work of the executioners.

The poor little vialet shivered, and hoped the king would not notice her, for no one else had seen her, but as he passed he looked and frowned in anger at her presumption, and the violet thought her last hour had come, and prayed for mercy, and looked so pleading with the glittering tear in her eye that the king was touched. But he looked stern, and told her the penalty for her presumption in watching him, and hot howing down as the other plants, was death; but as she was so young and so fair he would spare her, and would deprive her of her lovely color instead. And he bade her look in his eyes, and, as she looked, his eyes grew kind and soft, instead and he whispered to her that she had saved him from a life he hated. For he was doomed to make others suffer till he found a flower brave enough to watch ug, and now he would be able for his coming, and now he would be to go back to Fairyland, and another king would reign in his stead. And then he kissed her softly and left her.

Next morning, when the leaves awoke, it they found a white violet, so lovely and pure they thought it must be a fairy spirit, and each day the violet grew less willful and more thoughtful for the other plants, till they came to bless her as a real fairy spirit. But she could never forget the passing of the great White King, for he had taken her heart as well as her color, and that is the reason of the

was a Ma-Kishnan slave of the Court of for the use of English and Americandon For fitteen years he had carried water for Daldna, and the Sabutelians laughed as they thought of the anvised Version of its rival.

"Truly the Songbird of the Land!"
"No, no," cried an old woman, clasping
Madail in her arms. "He is Madail, my

"Thy see," shouled the Ma-Kishnas, as they crowded about her.
"My son," she replied. "The slave of Dog of a Ma-Kishnan," screamed the angry Tandala. I anew from the first thou wert but an Imposter. Go back to the Rags and Slavery. None but the Songbard shall sing for us.

Moral: The foreign Article is the only

Objectionable.

(From the New York Sun.) Schoolmarm-Willie, what's the object Willie (Sniffling)-I don't know yet object is, an' it's an unjust sentence,

An Assurance.

(From Puck.)

Honeless Pat. Pat-Sure, I've lost me dog, an' I don't

now wet to do Reporter-Why don't you advertise for Pai-But, faith, an' th' dog can't read it

She-I suppose it is a genuine antique? The Dealer-Why, of course, it is, mud-ame! And, besides, it is the very latest

SUPPRESSING THE PASSIONISTS.

Writing from Paris, a correspondent of the New York Evening Post declares that the community which has furnished a chapel and religious facilities for English-speaking Catholics in Paris for forty-one years falls under the new associations law. It demand to be "authorized," in conformity with the requirements of the new law was supported by the English and American ambassadors and by the recommendation of the prefect of the seine (national authority) and the Paris municipal council; but the demand has been rejected in the lump of fifty-four communities or orders ("congregations"). communities or orders ("congregations"), which parliament has extinguished by a single vote, without allowing any argu-ments on the merits of the separate

will give an object lesson, which the mere opinions of a correspondent could never furnish. A law of this kind, which is sure to result in a more or less prolonged Culturkampf, may be considered even in the United States from at least three widely diverse points of view: Its con-formity with the principles of the Amer-ican constitution in dealing, or rather White King goes past."

AN AWFUL RAILROAD RECORD.

The unusual number of fatal railway accidents of the set winter caused people to shudder and wonder and the set winter caused people to shudder and wonder and the set winter caused people to shudder and wonder and the site wind fanned her gently when the sum smiled upon her and the wind fanned her gently when the sum of t other violets were to have been frightened by a foolish story; so she called down to them, but could not make them hear, for they were so warm and contract that king Frost makes the standard of the continent. In the pare of the continent of the contract of the continent of the contract of the continent. In the pared to such critical that king Frost makes the called the contract of the continent. In the pared to such critical that the pared to such critical that the moder of the called the contract of the continent. In the pared to such critical that the moder of the called the

> a son of Mr. Watts-Russell, one of the well-known Oxford converts of Newman's not enough to form in canon law a mon astery technically speaking, but at mos a chaplaincy for the English and American colonies. It depended on the mother house near London, and, if I mistake not was the result of the impulse given to Roman Catholic work among the English by the famous Father Ignatius, who "in the world" was an uncle of Lord Spencer. as all sprinkled with they gems. The "congregation" is known as the caves and moss with powdered And she was frightened and cupying the monastery at Hoboken, op-

posite New York.

In Paris, besides the religious services, the community carried on various charitable works for indigent British and Americans, including an intelligen office for servants. All this is careful noted in the report published by the chai man of the parliament committee, who adds significantly: "This congregation is certainly the same as that of the French Passionists." French, English or American, they fall together under the ne

themselves in the payment of the acavy discriminating tax—"droit d'acrroisse-ment"—levied on religious communities the fathers had in vain attempted to escape it by representing that they we simply chaplains of the English-speak tax ceases. But there are other quitions which will cause the settlement the property by government to be wate ed curiously. The "Equidateu," or ceiver, has already been appointed

It is understood that the chapel will be allowed to continue public religious services for English-speaking Catholics; bu this is a gracious concession of government, as the Concordat limits the publi ish churches or authorized succursula is supposed that the title-deeds of th property are in the name of laymen, this case the works of the receiver to be limited to recognizing the validity the title-deeds and leaving the owner possession, with whatever future pr leges government may give them. In the case of French commu has been announced that the role of lay possessors of such properties will be test-ed severely before the courts; and, if it is found that they are simply interposed parties, the government will theelf take possession of the real estate as it does of all personal property left behind by the found a flower brave enough to watch | suppressed communities; this is or ground that, the communities is ceased to exist, their properties be nulilus (without owner) and escheat the state. If benefactors or individu members of the communities can pro-that they had contributed definite sum they can demand these back; but the little contributions, Sunday after Sunday Paris would be lost in the unclaim

Another English community, more ve erable from the historical point of view disappears in the general cyclone. It is wistful look that may be seen in white violets to this day.—Chicago Herald.

Swanhill, the Songbird.

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A Poble By Hiller Lorde France:

Swanhill, the Songbird.

(A Fable—By Hilma Lewis Enander.)

As the Ma-Kishnas said, it was all Termaris Fault. He was young and hotheaded and should never have crossed the Border. No man with a queer nosion of Humor should. There may, perhaps, have been other Causes, too, but this was the principal one.

Now, the Ma-Kishnas, as everyone knows, are as soft as Doug unless Blood be spilled, but Temaris Case was a peculiar one. So they hounded him from Guzniel to Akandi-Irbouve, across the Mesas, and over the Orere. There they caught him, and—well, it doesn't matter, it all happened fifty years afio, but the Sabutellans never forget. So when the Ma-Kishnas sent a messenger to the Sa-Sabutelians never forget. So when the Ma-Kishinus sent a messenger to the Samutelians to ask for the Loan of Swanhill, the Songbird of the Land, the Sabutelians sent Madali instead. Now Madali was a Ma-Kishinus sieve of the Court of Ombole. For fifteen years he had a sent made of the Court of Combole. For fifteen years he had a sent made of the Court of the Sabutelians which is sent a messenger to the Sabutelians sent a messenger to the Sabutelians sent Madali instead. Now Madali was a Ma-Kishinus siave of the Court of Combole. For fifteen years he had a sent matter. old sonorous swing-much like the Re vised Version of its rival. All this, and the fact that the little

and invalid as they insult offered them. But Madali went unknowingly and unwillingly.

The MaKishnass met him kindly. He was Swanhill to them, not Madali, the slave. All were there to greet him—the Landala, the Soldiers the Parliament of Ma-Kota. They played on Drams: they played on Marimba. They placed him in a chair of Borda's Palmbrits. The Minsa, wonderful with iniald sliver, was in his Hand; the Kylinga on his Head.

He opened his lips and sang. A deep silence fell upon the minitinude.

"Wonderful" they cried, when he had finished. "Wonderful, indeed!"

"Such Tone!"

"Such Feeling."

"Truly the Songbird of the Land!"

Papa'd Be Too Busy. Little Mary was discussing the great bereafter with her mamma when the fol-'Mainma, will you go to heaven when

"Oh, yes, and I hope your paps, will not pups can't go; he can't leave

His Ultimatum

Employer-Well, what did he say when on called for that mould break every bon-t my body and throw me out of the studow if I showed my face there again Employer-Then go look at ence and tell him he can't frighten me with his

No Difficulty. (From the Washington Times.)
"I find such trouble every month in cetting my bills."

They're all

Gradient I never do. They're at ere in a rest, waiting for me, on the st, and they keep round after me till

Necessary.
(From the Detroit Free Press.)
'Te thenirical life expensive?
"Well, it takes quite a figure to go upo

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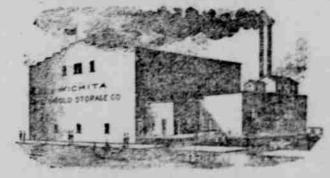
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